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**EIGHTEENTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE**  
**STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b))**

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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 or a CPA under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d). Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

A copy of any foreign patent document or "Other Document" listed on the Form 1449 is enclosed, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2). Copies of the U.S. Patents and U.S. patent publications listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are not provided.

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reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

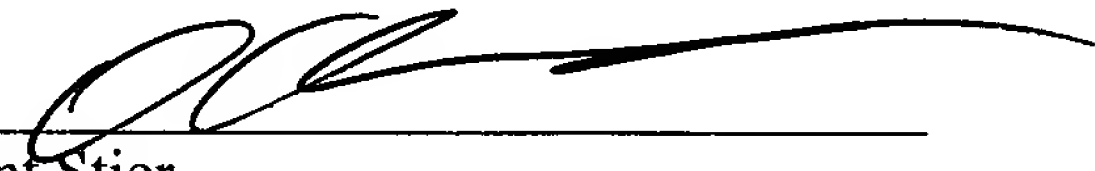
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| <b>FORM 1449*</b><br><b>EIGHTEENTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</b><br><b>IN AN APPLICATION</b><br>(Use several sheets if necessary) | Docket Number:<br>60001.0049US01/MS154685.1 | Application Number:<br>09/841,265 |
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